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| <b>Notice of Allowability</b> | Application No.                          | Applicant(s)                       |
|                               | 10/743,140<br>Examiner<br>Bryce P. Bonzo | NAKAMURA, YUJI<br>Art Unit<br>2113 |
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1.  This communication is responsive to 12/23/03.
2.  The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-15.
3.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a)  All
  - b)  Some\*
  - c)  None
  1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4.  A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5.  CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a)  including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached.
    - 1)  hereto or 2)  to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b)  including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

6.  DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1.  Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2.  Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3.  Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4.  Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5.  Notice of Informal Patent Application
6.  Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7.  Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8.  Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**Reasons for Allowance**

Claims 1-15 are allowed for the reasons shown below. Applicant is reminded the claims are allowed as a whole and any modification to the claims may jeopardize this indication of allowability. The portions of the claims which in particular overcome the cited prior art are italicized below. All independent claims contain the same allowable subject matter, and as such claim 1 will be used for illustrative purposes.

1. A bus bridge circuit, which issues a read request to a first device *in response to a read request from a second device, receives data from said first device via a first bus, and transfers the data to said second device via a second bus*, comprising:

a data buffer, which receives and stores the data of said first device, and error detection information generated from said data and from byte enable signals specifying, in units of a prescribed number of bits, the parallel data from said bus bridge circuit on said first bus to be enabled;

*an error detection information generation circuit, which generates new error detection information from byte enable signals specifying, in units of a prescribed number of bits, the parallel data from said second device on said second bus to be enabled, and from error detection data received in said data buffer, and*

a controller, which transfers to said second device via said second bus the data of said data buffer and *said new error detection information, in response to said byte enable signals of said second device*.